

## An Implementation of a Turbo Decoder

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### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5        A method for computing the function  $\log(e^{x_1} + e^{x_2})$  or  $\ln(e^{x_1} + e^{x_2})$  for a first argument value  $x_1$  and a second argument value  $x_2$  includes generating a table having a first data field and a second data field. The first data field includes  $N$  entries of table index values selected from a range of  $|x_1-x_2|$  argument values and scaled by a scaling factor. The second data field includes  $N$  entries of computed  
10      table values computed based on the equation  $\log(1 + e^{-|x_1-x_2|})$  or  $\ln(1 + e^{-|x_1-x_2|})$  for each of the  $|x_1-x_2|$  argument values selected for the table index values. The computed table values are also scaled by the same scaling factor.